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Sir:

The official filing receipt received in the above-identified application erroneously listed the 371 filing date. On July 29, 2002, Applicants received a Notification of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 (NOAOA) (copy here enclosed), which upon reviewing the Notification Applicants noted that the date of receipt of all 35 U.S.C. requirements was **June 27, 2002** the correct 371 filing date and not January 23, 2002 as indicated on the filing receipt. The date that appeared on the filing receipt as the "filing date" was not the date on which the last of the 35 U.S.C 371 requirements had been received in the PTO but the date the application was filed in the national stage. Unless all the requirement are met at the time of filing the application in the national phase, a later 371 filing date is given as noted on the above NOAOA.

A Response to Notification of Missing Requirements was sent to the PTO by **Express Mail** on June 27, 2002, enclosing the executed declaration which fulfilled all necessary requirements on that date. Please issue a corrected filing receipt listing the filing date as follows:

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A copy of the filing receipt with the correction noted is enclosed.

Applicants believe this error is ascribable to the Patent Office. Accordingly, no fees are required. However, if this is incorrect, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee required to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

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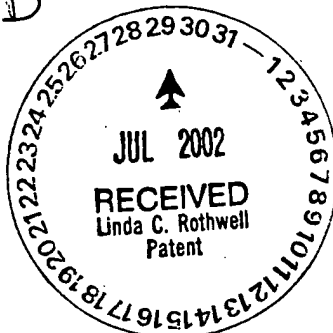
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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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This date is the correct one per N.B.

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

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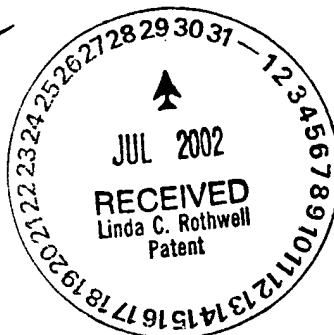


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